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**REQUEST for
CONTINUED EXAMINATION
(RCE)
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Subsection (b) of 35 USC 132, effective May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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Application Number	09/484,861	2/28/03
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Group Art Unit	3623	
Examiner	ROBINSON BOYCE, AKIBA K	

This is a Request for continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above -identified application. Note: 37 CFR 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 CFR 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice Interim Rule, 85 Fed. Reg. 14885 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

a. Previously submitted

- i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on January 10, 2003
- ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. Other _____

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b. Enclosed

- i. Amendment/Reply
- ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. Information Disclosure Statement
- iv. Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

a. Suspension of action on the above identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103 (c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(l) REQUIRED)

b. Other _____

3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when RCE is filed)

a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. _____

- i. RCE Fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. Other _____

b. Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed

c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF AGENT

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